

# SELECT BOARD TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

TOWN HALL 1009 MAIN STREET TEWKSBURY, MASSACHUSETTS 01876

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# April 24, 2023 – Meeting Minutes

A regular Select Board meeting was called to order by Mr. Todd R. Johnson, Esq., Chair, at 7:03 p.m. Also participating in the meeting were Mr. James F. Mackey, III, Vice-Chair; Mr. Patrick Holland, Clerk; Mr. Mark Kratman, Board Member; and Ms. Jayne E. Wellman, Board Member.

Also Present: Mr. Richard Montuori, Town Manager

# **SCHEDULED ITEMS**

1. Order of Taking: Easements for Pringle Street Culvert Replacement Project

Mr. Andrew Stack, P.E., Town Engineer, was present to speak on behalf of the project. He said the Pringle Street Culvert at Collins Brook had an existing 36" corrugated metal pipe culvert that was failing due to the corrosion of the existing pipe. He said they wanted to replace the culvert with a 42" wide by 29" tall, aluminum arch culvert to avoid long-term shutdowns on Pringle Street.

Mr. Stack stated that the town hired VHB to design the replacement of the culvert and the replacement of the culvert was approved by the Conservation Commission in February of 2022. He added that the proposed culvert required permanent and temporary easements on both the upstream and the downstream sides of the culvert. Mr. Stack said appraisals of the easements had been performed by A.M. Appraisals Associates Inc. in February of 2023.

Chair Johnson asked how long the project would take. Mr. Stack replied that it would be approximately two to four weeks.

Board Member Wellman referred to the letter from the homeowner who directly abutted the property and asked why they were not pursuing eminent domain. Mr. Stack replied they were pursuing eminent domain. Mr. Stack added that the liability during construction would be on the town and contractor and after the construction was complete the liability would be on the homeowner. Board Member Wellman explained that was the concern that the homeowner had expressed to the Board.

Board Member Kratman commented that he understood that there was a problem with drainage. He asked where the run-off was coming from. Mr. Stack replied that the problem with the culvert was the material it was made of, noting that the corrugated metal pipe corroded over time.

Vice-Chair Mackey asked if the culvert was in an existing easement. Mr. Stack replied that was correct. Vice-Chair Mackey clarified that the easement was to be able to do the work for the temporary easement, and the permanent easement was what should have already had an easement before for the culvert.

Chair Johnson noted that the Select Board had received two letters regarding the matter; one from the McLennan's of 2 Baldwin Street, and one from the Lawrence's of 161 Pringle Street; noting they had differing opinions on the matter.

Chair Johnson asked if either of those parties were present and wished to speak. No one came forward.

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to approve the Order of Taking: Easements for the Pringle Street Culvert Replacement Project. Board Member Holland seconded the motion.

#### MOTION CARRIED: 5 - 0 - 0.

2. MB Spirits, LLC d/b/a MB Spirits – Transfer of License (Public Hearing)

Chair Johnson opened the public hearing and read the Legal Notice into the record as summarized below:

Notice is hereby given that the Select Board will conduct a public hearing in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 138, on Monday, April 24, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. on the application of MB Spirits, LLC d/b/a MB Spirits by Ronald T. Lambert, Manager, to transfer an All-Alcoholic Beverage License from Mall Liquors, Inc. d/b/a Lincoln Liquors and to operate this license on said premises located at 10 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA described as approximately 8,876 square foot of an on-ground level building, including entry/exit vestibule, retail sales area, storage room, and office. The hearing will be held in the Select Board's meeting room, Main Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA.

Attorney Martin H. Green, Law Offices of Martin H. Green, P.C., and Mr. Ronald Lambert, the proposed Manager of Record, was present to speak on behalf of the applicant. He said Mr. Lambert had been an employee of Demoulas for 49 years and was a lifelong resident of Tewksbury.

Chair Johnson asked if there were members of the Board who had questions or comments.

Board Member Holland asked if there was anything left in abeyance, such as selling alcohol to minors. Chair Johnson said he was not aware of anything. Mr. Montuori added that he would check on it.

Attorney Green commented that he was not aware of any violations.

Board Member Wellman said they had some issues in the past with some companies selling alcohol to minors. She asked what system would be put in place to prevent that situation. Attorney Green replied that they had a pretty sophisticated POS system, and the staff carded anyone who even looked to be under 30. He added all staff and Mr. Lambert would be TIPS certified.

Chair Johnson asked if there were members of the public who had questions or comments. There were none.

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to close the public hearing. Board Member Wellman seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to approve the Transfer of License for MB Spirits, LLC d/b/a MB Spirits. Board Member Wellman seconded the motion.

3. National Grid Petition: Installation of Underground Facilities – Foster Lane (Public Hearing)

Chair Johnson opened the public hearing and read the Legal Notice into the record as summarized below:

Notice is hereby given that the Select Board will conduct a public hearing on Monday, April 24, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA on the petition of National Grid to construct a line of underground electric conduits, including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures, under and across the public way to provide electric service to a new home on Foster Lane in accordance with the plan filed herewith marked Foster Lane, Tewksbury, MA.

Chair Johnson stated that a list of abutters was notified on April 7, 2023.

Mr. Joe lentile, National Grid Electric, was present on behalf of the application. He said there was a new residence going in and they needed to get service to it. He noted that the new underground primary line going to the transformer pad at the residence was almost 1,100 feet back.

Chair Johnson asked if there were members of the Board who had questions or comments.

Board Member Wellman asked how long it would take to complete the project. Mr. lentile replied that it could be completed within two days once all of the paperwork had been completed.

Chair Johnson asked if there were members of the public who had questions or comments.

Attorney David Plunkett, 257 Fiske Street, said he was present to represent JBB Realty Trust, which was an owner of a fee and trust in the area shown as Foster Lane. He said Foster Lane had never been taken for a public purpose or dedicated for a public purpose and was not a public way.

Attorney Plunkett handed out copies of a Decision from April 7, 1994, from the Appellate Court in which they overturned the Decision of the Planning Board where they gave permission to develop the "Twiss Lot."

Mr. Kevin O'Brien, the owner of the property at Foster Lane, addressed the Board and said his attorney had reached out to Attorney Plunkett to get a copy of the Decision and he had not provided it. He said if the rights to the road were given away without him being notified, it would landlock him.

Board Member Holland asked if Foster Lane was not a public way then who owned it. Chair Johnson replied that he was unable to answer the question. Mr. Montuori stated that usually the director abutters would own to the center of the road and added that the Town of Tewksbury was an abutter because it owned open space.

**MOTION:** Board Member Wellman made a motion to close the public hearing. Vice-Chair Mackey seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

**MOTION:** Vice-Chair Mackey made a motion to table the item to a future date due to the complexity of the issue and the need for further clarification. Board Member Wellman seconded the motion.

#### Discussion:

For the record, Board Member Wellman stated that she felt the information provided was incomplete and the Board needed all of the information to make a decision.

#### MOTION CARRIED: 5 - 0 - 0.

4. Wamesit Entertainment Center: Entertainment License (Public Hearing)

Notice is hereby given that the Select Board will conduct a public hearing on Monday, April 24, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. on the application of Wamesit Entertain Center, Inc. at 434 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA by Donald R. Maclaren, Manager, for the following entertainment license applications for their outside patio:

Wednesday's - Movie Night on Patio - Covered under Entertainment License - Dusk - 11:00 p.m.

Thursday's - Ladies' Nights - Select Thursdays - 7:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

- DJ, Acoustic Performance, and Microphone
  - o June 22<sup>nd</sup>
  - o June 29<sup>th</sup>
  - July 6<sup>th</sup>
  - o July 13<sup>th</sup>
  - July 20<sup>th</sup>
  - o July 27<sup>th</sup>
  - August 3rrd
  - August 10<sup>th</sup>
  - o August 17<sup>th</sup>
  - August 24<sup>th</sup>

Friday's – Live Entertainment – 8:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

- Every Friday Night from July 1<sup>st</sup> September 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - Dueling Pianos(2)
    - July 7<sup>th</sup>
    - August 4<sup>th</sup>
  - Comedy Show (2)
    - June 30<sup>th</sup>
    - September 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Acoustic Singer (2)
    - July 21<sup>st</sup>
    - September 8<sup>th</sup>
  - o Magician (1)
    - August 18<sup>th</sup>

The hearing is to be held at Town Hall, in the Select Board's meeting room at 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA.

Chair Johnson indicated that an extensive list of abutters had been notified.

Ms. Janelle Wagstaff, Marketing Director, Wamesit Lanes, was present on behalf of the application. She said the requests before the Board were the same requests they had for the past three years. She noted they had taken off the live bands.

Ms. Wagstaff asked if there was any way the Board could provide blanket approvals for all of the repeated requests. She added that if anything were to change she would appear bore the Board to seek permission. Ms. Wagstaff added that the company was on better terms with the abutters, and they had no incidents occur that involved having to call the police.

Chair Johnson asked if there were members of the Board who had questions or comments.

Board Member Holland asked if the comedy shows would be "G" rated. Ms. Wagstaff replied they would be.

Chair Johnson asked if there were members of the public who had questions or comments. There were none.

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to close the public hearing. Vice-Chair Mackey seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5 - 0 - 0.

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to approve the entertainment licenses requested by Wamesit Entertainment Center, as identified above. Board Member Wellman seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

5. 99 Restaurant & Pub: Change of Officer

Attorney Elizabeth Pisano, Upton Connell & Devlin, was present to speak on behalf of the applicant.

**MOTION:** Vice-Chair Mackey made a motion to approve the Change of Officer requested by the 99 Restaurant & Pub. Board Member Wellman seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

#### RESIDENT COMMENTS

There were no comments made.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Community Preservation Committee: Board Member Appointment

**MOTION:** Board Member Wellman made a motion to nominate Board Member Holland as the Select Board's designee to the Community Preservation Committee. Vice-Chair Mackey seconded the motion.

# 2. Schedule Retail Marijuana License Hearings

Chair Johnson noted that multiple retail Marijuana applications were before the Planning Board the same evening. He said, however, that he felt the Select Board should begin scheduling hearings.

<u>MOTION:</u> Board Member Wellman made a motion that all applicants on the applicant's list that was included in the Select Boards packet, who had not already applied to be on the Planning Board's agenda or the Select Board's agenda, need to apply by 4:30 p.m. on May 11, 2023. Board Member Holland seconded the motion.

#### MOTION CARRIED: 5 - 0 - 0.

Mr. Montuori confirmed that he would notify all of the people on the aforementioned list.

The following dates were set aside hear Marijuana applications:

- June 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.
- June 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.
- June 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.
- 3. Switchboard Art Approval

Ms. Paige Impink, Clerk of the Tewksbury Beautification Committee, and Ms. Jennifer Balch-Kenny, Chair of the Tewksbury Beautification Committee.

Chair Johnson asked if the switch box existed. Ms. Impink replied it was located at East & Chandler Streets. She said the box was damaged and the students at Shawsheen Tech would take over the artwork.

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to approve the Switchbox Art as submitted. Board Member Wellman seconded the motion.

## MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

4. Approval of Affordable Housing Trust Fund Buy-Down Participation

Chair Johnson said the Board was being asked to approve an expenditure of \$215,640 from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund to buy down two units at Merrimack Meadows; located at 211 Merrimack Meadows Lane, and 86 Merrimack Meadows Lane. He added that the state would be contributing \$10,000 on each property in order for the town to maintain the affordability component in perpetuity. He said the request was made to use the town's funds and noted the funds in the Affordable Housing Trust Fund were in excess of \$6.3 million.

Board Member Wellman asked why the deed restriction was not already in perpetuity. Mr. Montuori replied there was a time limit on it at the time.

Mr. Steve Sadwick, Assistant Town Manager, stated that Merrimack Meadows Lane was developed in 1988 and that was before they had the authority to do units in perpetuity.

**MOTION:** Board Member Wellman made a motion to approve the Affordable Housing Trust Fund buy-down as presented in the amount of \$215,640. Vice-Chair Mackey seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5 - 0 - 0.

5. Review and Approval of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles to include FY 2024 Budget and FY 2024 Enterprise Funds and Rates

Chair Johnson noted that the annual Town Meeting would be held on May 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:30 p.m. at the Tewksbury Memorial High School.

The Warrant Articles were reviewed as summarized below:

Article 1: Annual Town Election held in April. No action is required.

**Article 2:** Elected Official Salaries

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 2. Board Member Holland seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

**Article 3:** Consent Calendar

**MOTION:** Board Member Wellman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 3. Vice-Chair Mackey seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

**<u>Article 4:</u>** Fiscal Year 2024 Budget (Full document is available on the town's webpage)

Mr. Montuori said the budget to be presented at Town Meeting totaled \$136,435,133 which was an increase of \$5,6312 over the previous year's budget.

**MOTION:** Board Member Wellman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 4. Board Member Holland seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

**Article 5:** Fiscal Year 2024 Sewer Enterprise Budget

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 5. Board Member Wellman seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

**Article 6:** Fiscal Year 2024 Water Enterprise Budget

**MOTION:** Vice-Chair Mackey made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 6. Board Member Holland seconded the motion.

Article 7: Fiscal Year 2024 Stormwater Enterprise Fund

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 7. Board Member Wellman seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

Article 8: Fiscal Year 2024 Cable TV Enterprise Budget

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 8. Board Member Wellman seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

Article 9: Transfer \$1,937,505 from Stabilization Fund for Town Capital Equipment and Projects

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 9. Board Member Wellman seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

<u>Article 10:</u> Transfer \$495,000 from Sewer Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings for Sewer System Improvements and Vehicle.

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 10. Board Member Wellman seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

<u>Article 11:</u> Transfer \$320,000 from Water Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings for Water System Improvements, Projects, and Vehicles.

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 11. Board Member Wellman seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

<u>Article 12:</u> Raise and Appropriate the sum of \$505,000 within the Stormwater Enterprise Fund for Drainage Improvements.

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 12. Board Member Holland seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

<u>Article 13:</u> Transfer \$200,000 from Cable Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings for upgrades to the Tewksbury Memorial High School Studio.

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 13. Board Member Holland seconded the motion.

<u>Article 14:</u> Authorize the borrowing of \$2,100,000 within the Water Enterprise Fund for Water Distribution Improvements.

**MOTION:** Vice-Chair Mackey made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 14. Board Member Kratman seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

**Article 15:** Transfer \$40,644 to reduce Town Exempt Debt Principal

**MOTION:** Board Member Wellman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 15. Board Member Holland seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

\*Article 16: Appropriate and Transfer the sum of \$455,000 from the Tewksbury Community Preservation Undesignated Reserve for the purpose of new lights, poles, and associated electrical work at the baseball fields at the Saunders Recreation Complex.

**MOTION:** Board Member Holland made a motion to table Articles \*16, \*17, \*18, & \*19 until the May 1<sup>st</sup> meeting to begin at 6:30 p.m. because the Community Preservation Commission had not yet weighed in on the matter. Vice-Chair Mackey seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 4-1-0. (Nay – Board Member Wellman)

\*Article 17: - Tabled

\*Article 18: - Tabled

\*Article 19: - Tabled

Article 20: Fiscal Year 2024 Affordable Housing Trust Fund Allocation Plan

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 20. Board Member Wellman seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5 - 0 - 0.

<u>Article 21:</u> Appropriate or Reserve from the Tewksbury Community Preservation Fund Annual Revenues

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 21. Board Member Wellman seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

Article 22: Create a Revolving Fund for the Tewksbury Community Market

**MOTION:** Board Member Wellman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 22. Vice-Chair Mackey seconded the motion.

Article 23: Authorize the Select Board to grant and accept Easements

**MOTION:** Board Member Wellman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 23. Board Member Holland seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

Article 24: Amend the Town's General By-Laws

**MOTION:** Board Member Holland made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 24. Chair Johnson seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 3-2-0. (Nay – Board Member Wellman, and Board Member Kratman)

**Article 25:** Amend the Town's General By-Laws

**MOTION:** Board Member Wellman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 25. Board Member Kratman seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

Article 26: Home Rule Petition to allow for new hiring process through Civil Service

**MOTION:** Board Member Wellman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 26. Vice-Chair Mackey seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

Article 27: Grant of Easement and Transfer, Convey, and Release of Land

**MOTION:** Board Member Wellman made a motion to table Article 27 until the May 1<sup>st</sup> meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m. Vice-Chair Mackey seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

<u>Articles 28 & 29:</u> Street Acceptances for Grammy's Way and Border Street. Mr. Jim Hanley, President, Civil Design Consultants on behalf of the petitioner.

**MOTION:** Board Member Holland made a motion to table Warrant Articles 28 & 29 until the May 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Board Member Wellman seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

Article 30: Citizen's Petition

**MOTION:** Board Member Wellman made a motion to recommend the indefinite postponement of Article 30. Board Member Holland seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 4 - 0 - 1. (Abstained – Vice-Chair Mackey)

# Article 35: To see if the Town will vote to amend Tewksbury Zoning By-Laws

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to refer Article 35 to the Planning Board. Board Member Wellman seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

Article 36: To see if the Town will vote to amend Tewksbury Zoning Bylaws

**MOTION:** Board Member Wellman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 36. Chair Johnson seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 3-2-0. (Nay – Board Member Kratman & Board Member Holland)

<u>Article 37</u>: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Tewksbury By-Laws, Chapter 8 by adding "N Where any requirements in this section conflict with Section 5.4.2, this section shall govern.

**MOTION:** Board Member Wellman made a motion to table Article 37 until the May 1<sup>st</sup> meeting at 6:30 p.m. Vice-Chair Mackey seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5 - 0 - 0.

6. Review and Approval of the Special Town Meeting Warrant Articles

Chair Johnson said the Special Town Meeting would take place on Wednesday, May 3, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Tewksbury Memorial High School.

<u>Article 1:</u> To see if the Town will vote to transfer funds into the following FY 2023 Departmental Budgets, or take any action relative thereto.

**MOTION:** Board Member Wellman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 1. Board Member Holland seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5 - 0 - 0.

<u>Article 2:</u> To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$600,000 into the FY 2023 DPW Snow & Ice Budget as follows, or take any action relative thereto.

**MOTION:** Vice-Chair Mackey made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 2. Board Member Wellman seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

<u>Article 3:</u> To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$1,225,000 from Water Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to be expended by the Town Manager for various purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

**MOTION:** Board Member Holland made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 3. Board Member Wellman seconded the motion.

<u>Article 4:</u> To see if the Town will vote to establish a special purpose stabilization fund to be known as the Opioid Settlement Fund for the specific purpose of receiving receipts from settlements.

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 4. Board Member Wellman seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5 - 0 - 0.

<u>Article 5:</u> To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$111,715.97 from certified General Fund Free Cash to the Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund, or take any action relative thereto.

**MOTION:** Board Member Wellman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 5. Vice-Chair Mackey seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

<u>Article 6:</u> To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund a sum of \$111,715.97 to be expended by the Town Manager for any lawful municipal purpose, or take any other action relative thereto.

**MOTION:** Board Member Wellman made a motion to recommend the adoption of Article 6. Vice-Chair Mackey seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

#### **TOWN COUNSEL INVOICE:**

March 1, 2023 – March 15, 2023, in the amount of \$4,122.50

**MOTION:** Board Member Wellman made a motion to approve the Town Counsel invoice for the period of March 1, 2023 – March 15, 2023, in the amount of \$4,122.50. Vice-Chair Mackey seconded the motion.

# MOTION CARRIED: 4 - 0 - 1. (Abstained – Board Member Holland)

March 16, 2023 – March 31, 2023, in the amount of \$4,080.00

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to approve the Town Counsel invoice for the period of March 16, 2023 – March 31, 2023, in the amount of \$4,080.00. Vice-Chair Mackey seconded the motion.

# MOTION CARRIED: 4 - 0 - 1. (Abstained – Board Member Holland) MINUTES

- March 7, 2023
- March 21, 2023

**MOTION:** Board Member Kratman made a motion to approve the minutes of March 7, 2023, and March 21, 2023, as presented. Vice-Chair Mackey seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 4 - 0 - 1. (Abstained – Board Member Holland)

# **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

# **Board Member Holland**

 Asked Mr. Montuori to draft a letter recognizing and commending each of the DPW workers mentioned in a letter received by a gentleman in Wilmington.

# **Board Member Wellman**

- Clean-up Day would be held on May 6th.
- Congratulated Mr. Al Mancini, and Ms. Susan Young for Tewksbury being a "Tree City."
- The second annual Cornhole Tournament would be held on Saturday at 11:00 a.m. at the Bunting Club in memory of Meghan McCarthy.
- There would be an open microphone poetry reading to honor National Library Week.

#### Board Member Kratman

 Verified that the Town Meeting and Special Town Meeting were on May 1<sup>st</sup> and May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

#### Vice-Chair Mackey

Had no reports to share.

# Chair Johnson

- Four or five Tewksbury Police Officers were recognized for outstanding service. On behalf of the Select Board, Chair Johnson thanked the officers for their outstanding service.
- Pointed out that the police department was in the process of receiving accreditation.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** At approximately 9:30 p.m. Board Member Wellman made a motion to adjourn. Board Member Kratman seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0.

**APPROVED BY THE SELECT BOARD ON MAY 16, 2023** 

# **Documents Presented/Discussed**

- Order of Taking: Easements for Pringle Street Culvert Replacement Project
- MD Spirits, LLC d/b/a MB Spirits Transfer of License
- National Grid Petition: Installation of Underground Facilities Foster Lane
- Wamesit Entertainment Center: Entertainment License
- 99 Restaurant & Pub: Change of Officer
- Community Preservation Committee: Board Member Appointment
- Schedule Retail Marijuana License Hearings
- Switchboard Art Approval
- Approval of Affordable Housing Trust Fund Buydown Participation
- Review and Approval of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles to include FY 2024 Budget and FY 2024 Enterprise Funds and Rates
- Review and Approval of the Special Town Meeting Warrant Articles
- Town Counsel Invoice: March 1st March 15th & March 16th March 31st
- Minutes: March 7<sup>th</sup> & March 21<sup>st</sup>

Next Select Board Meeting: May 1, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

Trish Gedziun Recording Secretary